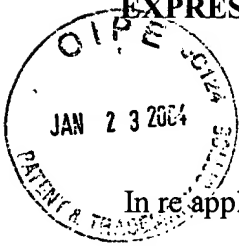


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In re application of:

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For: **NOVEL METHODS OF  
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OF SCREENING FOR BREAST  
CANCER MODULATORS**

Art Unit: 1634

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated **August 25, 2003**, and is submitted on or before the extended due date of **January 25, 2004**. A constructive petition for a two-month extension of time and its requisite fee are enclosed herewith. The Examiner is requested to enter the amendments and consider the application.

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